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- l. Attached is CANAKIN's general proposal that he go to Spain in order to take a more active part in the fight against Communism. We have asked him to prepare another one giving more specific suggestions as to how he could help us if he does go to Spain. At present his prospects of succeeding to get to that country seem bright. He has recently received a letter from one of his friends there with a note to the Spanish Consul in Frankfurt/Wain requesting all possible help in providing CANAKIN with a Spanish visa. CANAKIN plans to ask for a temporary one in case he decides to leave that country later. (He does not know the name of the Spanish consul but if it should happen to be CHANTAL it will be interesting to see what he has to report about their interview.)
- 2. He thinks that it might be possible for him to get Spanish visas for us through his influential friends in Spain who are in touch with Count BEILEN (spelling?), head of the passport and visa section of the foreign office. As an example of the favor they enjoy with Senor BEILEN, CANAKIN cites the case of his friend, Count KREUTZ, who was able to get an exit permit from the Spanish Foreign Office to go to Germany from Spain, without prior clearance from the Allied Travel Board which is supposed to approve all applications for such travel. In addition, Count KREUTZ has recently been granted Spanish citizenship largely on account of his excellent connections.
- 3. CANAKIN is still working on his study of the Russian emigration and doing bird-dog duty for us.

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CANAKIN's General Proposal

For reasons already known to you, in Germany I cannot take as active a part in the struggle against communism as I should like to do. In addition, my material existence here is very difficult and uncertain. Therefore I maintain that I should leave Germany, at least temporarily. With the help of friends abroad I can be much more effective in the anti-Bolshevik field. Thus connections in various countries can be used.

I do not think there would be much point in my emigrating to South America, Paraguay or Argentina - since it is so far from Europe, especially Germany where the decisive anti-Communist work is being carried cut.

I believe that Spain would best suit my purposes because there I have the greatest possibilities to make important connections in the administrative, diplomatic, and military circles. The following considerations should be bf help to me:

- I have a letter from General VLASSOV to General FRANCO in which General VLASSOV entrusts me with complete power to conduct necessary discussions. Since FRANCO followed the VLASSOV action with complete sympathy, I can use this letter as a recommendation to him.
- R. A friend of mine from Faris, Eoris SUMAROKOV, Prince Schirinsky-Schichmatov, is ready to pay for my trip to Spain and to introduce me to the necessary connections in Madrid. He knows many ministers, generals, and high functionaries. Through these connections he became a Spanish citizen a short time ago.
- 3. The pretender to the Russian throne, Grand Duke Vladimir lives in Madrid at present. He has always been most kind to me. Through his position he has many important connections not only in Spain, but everywhere.
- 4. A good friend of mine, Count Alexander KREUTZ, who also has good connections in Madrid, also lives there.

I am of the opinion that international communism must be fought on an international basis. Therefore the anti-Communist forces must work together more. I am ready to get in contact with my friends who are working in the anti-Communist field and to put them in contact with American anti-Bolshevik circles.

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